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S.B. No. 1495

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to access by the division of workers' compensation to  
3 certain designated doctor contracts under the workers'  
4 compensation system.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 408.1225, Labor Code, is amended by  
7 adding Subsections (g) and (h) to read as follows:

8 (g) On request of the division, a designated doctor shall  
9 provide the division with a copy of any contract that is:

10 (1) between the designated doctor and an authorized  
11 agent of the doctor; and

12 (2) for services provided by the agent related to the  
13 designated doctor's duties, including scheduling, billing, and  
14 organizing medical records.

15 (h) A contract provided to the division under Subsection (g)  
16 is not subject to disclosure under Chapter 552, Government Code.

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.